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Applicant: John CAHILL

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 16, 2000, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.

REMARKS

Claims 2-25 have been rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, as based on a disclosure which is not enabling. In support of this rejection the Examiner has cited *In re Mayhew* and taken the position that the wind load wall diaphragm requirements for manufactured housing for transverse wind loading change as the law changes and there is no specificity in the specification as to what these requirements entail.

In re Mayhew has been reviewed by the Applicant and this case stands for the proposition that a critically disclosed element must be present in the claims. Claim 23 clearly recites that the wall structure as contained in a building structure is subject to government regulations with respect to transverse wind loading. With respect to the specificity of